

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA * **CRIMINAL NO. 6:17-CR-224**

VERSUS * **JUDGE DRELL**

DON EDMOND WASHINGTON * MAG. JUDGE WHITEHURST

Pursuant to Title 28, United States Code, Section 636(b), and with the written and oral consent of the defendant, this matter has been referred by the District Court for administration of Guilty Plea and Allocution under Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

This cause came before the undersigned U. S. Magistrate Judge for a change of plea hearing and allocution of the defendant on March 15, 2018. Defendant was present with his counsel, Wayne J. Blanchard.

After said hearing, and for reasons orally assigned, it is the finding of the undersigned that the defendant is fully competent, that his guilty plea to Count 1 and Count 3 of the Indictment is knowing and voluntary, and that his guilty plea is fully supported by a written factual basis for each of the essential elements of each offense.

Therefore, the undersigned U.S. Magistrate Judge recommends that the District Court **ACCEPT** the guilty plea of the defendant, Don Edmond Washington, in accordance with the terms of the plea agreement filed in the record of these proceedings, and that Don Edmond Washington be finally adjudged guilty of the offenses charged in Count 1 and Count 3 of the

Indictment.

The defendant has waived his right to file an objection to the Report and Recommendation.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED in chambers at Lafayette, Louisiana on
April 4, 2018.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carol B. Whitehurst".

CAROL B. WHITEHURST
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE